

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

2:19-cv-755	2:20-cv-1041	2:20-cv-4324
2:19-cv-849	2:20-cv-1059	2:20-cv-4331
2:19-cv-3049	2:20-cv-1458	2:20-cv-4721
2:19-cv-3435	2:20-cv-1772	2:20-cv-4853
2:19-cv-3486	2:20-cv-1912	2:20-cv-4976
2:19-cv-4238	2:20-cv-2013	2:20-cv-5071
2:19-cv-4302	2:20-cv-2051	2:20-cv-5337
2:19-cv-5111	2:20-cv-2098	2:20-cv-5626
2:19-cv-5448	2:20-cv-2239	2:20-cv-5939
2:20-cv-101	2:20-cv-2656	
2:20-cv-160	2:20-cv-3089	
2:20-cv-258	2:20-cv-3902	
2:20-cv-572	2:20-cv-4223	

NOTICE

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Court's procedures have changed. All in-person mediations are postponed; however, the parties and mediators are DIRECTED to attempt mediation via telephone or videoconference.

Each of the above-listed cases has previously been identified as ready for a mediation conference in **April 2021**. Recently, the Court has been forced to vacate or continue more than half of the cases initially set for settlement conferences. In order to avoid the administrative costs associated with vacating a case after it has been set, the Court is making this inquiry to determine if any of the above cases **should not be set** for a Settlement Conference.

As soon as practicable following of the receipt of this Notice, counsel shall confer concerning the readiness of their case for a settlement conference. If all counsel concur that the case is **not** ready to set, counsel shall send an email to ADR@ohsd.uscourts.gov by **4:00pm on March 1, 2021** to advise the Court that the case should **not** be set. Counsel should include in such advice whether the case should be continued to another month and, if so, which month.

Nothing in this Notice is intended to preclude a timely motion to vacate or continue a settlement conference, should the grounds for such motion become apparent only after the case is set for a settlement conference on a specific date and time.

Richard W. Nagel, Clerk of Court
United States District Court
Southern District of Ohio